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## **Free Help with Taxes and Family Resource Fair Coming to Oxnard College**

**Sacramento** – Individuals and families who need help with income tax return preparation are invited to attend a Free Income Tax Preparation and Family Resource Fair event hosted by Board of Equalization Member George Runner, Board Chairman Jerome E. Horton, and local officials at Oxnard College on Saturday, February 15, 2014, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Attendees will receive tax preparation assistance from trained and certified volunteers, and receive information about the [Earned Income Tax Credit \(EITC\)](#). Individuals who are eligible may qualify for as much as \$6,044 from the EITC. Taxpayers should bring proof of identification including social security cards, wage and earning statement(s) from employers, interest and dividend statements from banks, bank routing and account numbers for direct deposit, and a copy of last year's federal and state returns if available.

All workforce and family services are free and open to the public. Language assistance is available in English, Spanish, and Chinese.

Family services will be made available, including financial literacy training, job preparation assistance, food and nutrition services, low-cost and free medical services, and health screenings.

**Event:** Free Income Tax Preparation and Family Resource Fair

**Date:** Saturday, February 15, 2014

**Time:** 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

**Place:** Oxnard College  
Library Learning Resource Center  
4000 South Rose Avenue  
Oxnard, CA 93033

**Register:** Call 1-866-910-9559

To find other VITA locations, visit the [IRS website](#) or call 1-800-906-9887.

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Elected in 2010, Chairman Jerome E. Horton is the Fourth District Member of the California State Board of Equalization, representing more than 8.5 million residents in Los Angeles County. He is also the Board of Equalization's Legislative Committee

Chairman. He is the first to serve on the Board of Equalization with over 21 years of experience at the BOE. Horton previously served as an Assembly Member of the California State Assembly from 2000-2006.

Elected in November 2010, George Runner represents the State Board of Equalization's Second District. He is a leading advocate for California taxpayers. Runner has worked to improve California's tax policies and practices and to create and retain more private sector jobs in our state. Prior to his election to the Board, Runner served twelve years in the State Legislature, authoring the well-known California Amber Alert and California's Blue Alert. As a thoughtful conservative, his legislative priorities included improving the economy, business growth, education excellence, and public safety for all Californians. As a member of the Senate Revenue and Taxation Committee, Runner consistently led the fight against tax increases and supported tax relief for families and businesses.

The five-member California State Board of Equalization (BOE) is a publicly elected tax board. The BOE collects \$56 billion annually in taxes and fees supporting state and local government services. It hears business tax appeals, acts as the appellate body for franchise and personal income tax appeals, and serves a significant role in the assessment and administration of property taxes. For more information on other taxes and fees in California, visit [www.taxes.ca.gov](http://www.taxes.ca.gov).

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